



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20463

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Matthew G. Whitaker, Executive Director
Foundation for Accountability & Civic Trust
1717 K Street, NW, Suite 900
Washington, D.C. 20006

MAY 17 2018

RE: MUR 7136
Ted Strickland
Strickland for Senate and
Michael J. Johrendt in his
official capacity as treasurer
Senate Majority PAC and
Rebecca Lambe in her
official capacity as treasurer

Dear Mr. Whitaker:

The Federal Election Commission has considered the allegations contained in your complaint dated September 12, 2016, but was equally divided on whether there was reason to believe the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act"), was violated and equally divided on whether there was no reason to believe the Act was violated. Accordingly, on May 8, 2018, the Commission closed the file in this matter. A Statement of Reasons providing a basis for the Commission's decision is not required in this matter, but if one is issued, it will be provided to you.

Documents related to the case will be placed on the public record within 30 days.
See Disclosure of Certain Documents in Enforcement and Other Matters, 81 Fed. Reg. 50,702 (Aug. 2, 2016).

The Federal Election Campaign Act allows a complainant to seek judicial review of the Commission's dismissal of this action. See 52 U.S.C. § 30109(a)(8). If you have any questions, please contact me at (202) 694-1650 or at mallen@fec.gov.

Sincerely,

Mark Allen

Mark Allen
Assistant General Counsel